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Raymond Gunt, a foul-mouthed cameraman, is the protagonist of Douglas Coupland's latest novel, *Worst. Person. Ever.* Just don't mistake it for *High Art* **PAGE 26**



FORD VIDEO FOR REAL: COPS

Toronto Mayor Rob Ford talks to media at Toronto City Hall Thursday. Ford says he has no reason to step down despite police confirmation that they have seized a video that appears to show him allegedly smoking crack cocaine. See story, page 4. FRANK GUNN/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Yelling continued even after man run over: Witness

'Appalling.'
Pedestrian's status in hospital upgraded to satisfactory, surgery to take place on elbow



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An argument between an older driver and young pedestrian didn't end with the young man being run over, but continued even as the young man lay under the car, witnesses say.

Janine Caster, who said she ran to administer first aid to 24-year-old Stephane Cousineau, said she was shocked to see the pair still arguing after the collision at the intersection of Bank Street and Laurier Avenue.

"The guy who hit him was yelling at him. He just ran him over and was screaming

at him," said Caster. She said she had to repeatedly tell the driver to "back off."

"He was totally irate, totally out of character for someone who just ran someone over. I found it appalling that he was screaming at a guy he just ran over. He didn't bump him, didn't clip him, he ran him over," she said.

A 73-year-old man has been charged with dangerous driving causing bodily harm and assault with a weapon following the incident, which put Cousineau in hospital with serious injuries.

Witnesses told Metro the driver and pedestrian got into a dispute as Cousineau tried to cross Laurier Avenue from Bank Street and the driver started honking at the young man to get out of the way.

"What got my attention was when (Cousineau) started yelling at the driver," said Raymond Levesque, who said he was the first person to

run to Cousineau's aid, as he lay pinned under the white Austin Mini. According to Levesque, the young pedestrian slammed his hands on the hood of the driver's car as he tried to cross the street.

That's when the driver allegedly drove over Cousineau.

"I heard the engine rev up and he just hit the kid. When I ran up, the front wheel was on top of the kid's chest."

Cousineau's girlfriend Summer Gilbert said her boyfriend was in "good spirits" when she saw him at hospital. She said he will have to have surgery for a fractured elbow.

His status was upgraded to "satisfactory" by hospital officials Thursday.

When Metro reached the driver at his home Wednesday, he declined to comment.

Police released Michael Chettleburg, 73 from custody on a promise to appear in court. A court date has not yet been set.

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Violence toward transit staff getting worse: MP

Criminal Code.

MP, local ATU president urge feds to impose harsher penalties in transit attacks

Recently reported events in Winnipeg and Ottawa involving passengers assaulting bus drivers had Liberal MP Ralph Goodale speaking on Parliament Hill Thursday about fast-tracking legislation that would apply tougher sentences to anyone convicted of attacking a transit worker.

Goodale said there is an urgent need to change the Criminal Code to protect this "vulnerable" group of workers in Canada, who see upwards of 2,000 assaults against them each year.

"This issue's not going away. If anything, the anecdotes would seem to indicate, sadly, it's getting worse," Goodale told Metro Thursday following a press conference in Ottawa.

On Oct. 16, the MP introduced Bill C-533, a private member's bill which calls for changes to the Criminal Code that would force judges to essentially hand down harsher punishments of those convicted of committing any criminal offence against an on-duty transit worker.

Goodale said he believes the very nature of their work makes them vulnerable and the proposed legislation can

prevent people from taking advantage of that vulnerability.

If passed, "the judge would be required as a rule to take into account the vulnerable nature of the victim's employment as an aggravating circumstance justifying a higher sentence," said Goodale.

Craig Watson, the head of Ottawa's public transit union ATU Local 279, also voiced his support of the bill on Parliament Hill. He told Metro Goodale's bill would send a strong message that a bus driver is not "a punching bag."

Goodale wants the federal government to make the bill a priority so that it could be debated sooner rather than later.

"It would take the government deciding to pick it up and run with it. That's what it takes," said Goodale. "They said victims' rights is a priority."

Mayor Jim Watson echoed that sentiment Thursday during an interview in which he said he was "disappointed" Paul Ness, 38, did not receive any jail time after admitting to assaulting OC Transpo driver John Karagiannis on April 22. He said he intends to work with the city's transit commission to table a motion formally supporting bill C-533 and C-402 on Nov. 13.

"I'm hoping that the Conservative government that prides itself on law and order actually gets behind one of these private member's bills," the mayor said. **JOE LOFARO/METRO**



Mo' moustaches, mo' money: MP

Top: Ottawa's House of Barons senior barber Charles Moubarak prepares to shave off NDP Western Arctic MP Dennis Bevington's 40-year-old moustache for his Movember campaign Thursday. Bottom: About three minutes later Bevington grins as onlookers point to the end result. Bevington agreed to snip his 'stache to raise awareness for prostate cancer, for which Movember raises funds. Thursday morning was extra special for Bevington, as he was honouring his late friend and former NDP leader Jack Layton, who was diagnosed with prostate cancer in 2010 and later died of an undisclosed form of the disease in 2011. "In the '90s, I remember sitting around with Jack comparing moustaches, so Jack Layton has been a huge influence in my life," said Bevington. "To support efforts to make sure prostate cancer is not such a deadly disease for other men, is so important." **TREVOR GREENWAY/METRO**



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"I have no reason to resign. I'm going to go back and return my phone calls. I'm going to be out doing what the people elected me to do and that's save taxpayers money and run a great government." Toronto Mayor Rob Ford



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"As a citizen of Toronto, I'm disappointed. This is a traumatic issue for the citizens of this city and for the reputation of this city, and that concerns me."

Toronto Police Chief Bill Blair

Ford 'crack video' in police hands

Bombshell. Footage could go public amid court proceedings involving Toronto mayor's friend



JESSICA SMITH

Metro in Toronto

An associate of Toronto Mayor Rob Ford is heading to court Friday morning on an extortion charge that may give the public its best shot at seeing the infamous "crack video."

Toronto Police Chief Bill Blair announced Thursday the force had recovered the video from a hard drive seized during "Project Traveller," a guns-and-drugs investigation, on June 13.

He said the video is "consistent" with media reports. The video allegedly shows the "mayor, obviously impaired, smoking what appears to be crack cocaine and making homophobic and racist slurs," reports said.

Police technical experts recovered the video after it had been deleted from a hard drive and gave it to investigators on Oct. 29. As a result, Alexander (Sandro) Lisi, Ford's friend and occasional driver, was charged with extortion. Police accuse him of "extortive efforts to retrieve a recording" of the video since April.

Blair said the video will be submitted to court as evi-

Staying put for now

Despite the pressure on Ford, municipal law makes no provision for his forced removal from office unless he's convicted and jailed for a criminal offence.

- "There's nothing we can do at this point," Ontario Municipal Affairs Minister Linda Jeffrey said.
- "The province has no power to remove anybody, and obviously we'd have to wait as the investigation unfolds as to next steps."

dence in this case, making it part of the public record. Media can request copies. However, if Lisi pleads guilty before evidence is introduced, the video may not be made public.

Blair also said there is more than one video, and he has seen them.

"There were several video files relevant to this investigation, and two videos that are particularly relevant to this investigation," said Blair.

His announcement came shortly after the release of partially redacted court documents pertaining to Lisi's arrest for trafficking on Oct. 1.

The documents show police tailed Ford, who called Lisi often and frequently met with him. Police observed Lisi passing plastic bags and envelopes to Ford.



Mayor Rob Ford walks past Halloween decorations on his way to talk to media at city hall in Toronto on Thursday. Ford says he has no reason to step down despite police confirmation they have seized a video that media have alleged appears to show him smoking crack cocaine. FRANK GUNN/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Clayton Ruby

Lawyer decries 'botched' probe

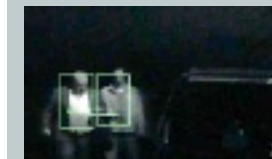
A renowned lawyer who failed to have Rob Ford ousted from office accused Toronto police on Thursday of deliberately giving the embattled mayor a pass on his alleged drug use and ties to accused and convicted traffickers.

Following police assertions they were now in possession of a video showing Ford appearing to smoke crack cocaine, Clayton Ruby was scathing about the investigation.

"The police have either ignored or overlooked all the evidence against Ford," Ruby told The Canadian Press.

"I've never seen such a botched investigation, and I've seen thousands."

Ruby called it "inexplicable" police never searched Ford's car or home, or wiretapped his phone. THE CANADIAN PRESS



A police surveillance photo of Toronto Mayor Rob Ford, left, and friend Alexander Lisi. COURTESY TORONTO POLICE SERVICE

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Skyhawks plan home-court landing for season opener

First impressions.

Team plans to bring high-energy approach when they face Windsor Express on Saturday



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The Ottawa Skyhawks' first-ever game will be played on Saturday at the Canadian Tire Centre, and the city's first pro basketball team knows first impressions are crucial.

"It's important that everybody's on the same page come Saturday night because it's the first look we're going to give Ottawa," said coach Kevin Keathley at Thursday's practice.

"If there's an advantage, it's enthusiasm, being energetic and of course we're a pretty athletic team as well," Keathley said of his young squad, but he's also taken the measure of Saturday's opposition, the Windsor Express.

"They're probably one of the top two teams in the league, so they're going to be a veteran team; they're bringing back their core from last year, so they know what they want to do. Their

Quoted

"It's important that everybody's on the same page Saturday"

Kevin Keathley, Skyhawks coach

system's there," he said. "We want to make sure we do what we do well, and that's run the floor. We like to push the tempo."

Forward Eric Kibi has internalized Keathley's strategy: "He just said, 'We're gonna run, then we're gonna run some more, then we're gonna run a little more.' So that kinda stuck with me. I'm a player that has a lot of energy, just like to run, so that fits me perfectly."

Teammate Jamie Vanderbeken is eager to face Windsor.

"It's gonna be good to play against someone else," said the centre/power forward. "I mean, playing two and a half weeks just against us gets a little frustrating, gets a little monotonous, so it's gonna be good to actually be out to the CTC and actually play in front of fans."

Ottawa native Kibi's also looking forward to seeing familiar faces in that crowd.

"I haven't played here since I was, like, 16," he said. "So it's gonna be cool to have family and friends at the games. It's a blessing."



The Skyhawks put on a show during Thursday's practice before the team's season opener Saturday. STEVE COLLINS/METRO

2013 Roster

Meet the Skyhawks players for this year's inaugural season

#3 Jerice Crouch (Syracuse, N.Y.) – guard

#4 Fred Sturdivant (Chattanooga, Tenn.) – forward

#5 Jermaine Johnson (Los Angeles) – forward

#7 Tirrell Baines (Laurens, S.C.) – forward

#12 Jamie Vanderbeken (Belleville) – centre/power forward

#14 Jamal Crook (Louisville, Ky.) – guard

#15 Justin Tubbs (Trussville, Ala.) – guard

#20 Mike Rose (Naperville, Ill.) – shooting guard/forward

#22 Demetrious Jemison (Birmingham, Ala.) – power forward

#25 Manock Lual (Ottawa) – forward

#32 Eric Kibi (Ottawa) – forward

#44 Ryan Anderson (Seattle) – guard

NAC introduces its next musical maestro, Shelley

When the National Arts Centre presented the next musical director of its orchestra, British conductor Alexander Shelley, 34, it seemed more like a homecoming than an introduction.

"Maestro Shelley is no stranger to Canada's National Arts Centre," said president and CEO Peter Herrndorf. "Over the past four years, he's returned to the NAC five times to conduct our wonderful orchestra. He's made a great impression on our musicians and he's established the kind of strong artistic connection with them that brings us to this happy announcement today."

The orchestra's principal



Maestro Alexander Shelley
STEVE COLLINS/METRO

bassoon, Christopher Millard, attested to that connection.

"What ultimately made Alex our unanimous choice was the ongoing enthusiasm of my colleagues in the orchestra," said Millard, who

co-chaired the search committee. "If you think critics can be tough, you imagine just how difficult it is for a conductor to impress an orchestra.... I think it's in our collective DNA to find fault on the podium."

Shelley, who's in his fifth season as chief conductor of the Nuremberg Symphony Orchestra, recalled an immediate "chemistry" with the NAC Orchestra from the first time he conducted them.

Current musical director Pinchas Zukerman, who has led the orchestra since 1999, will pass the baton to Shelley Sept. 1, 2015.

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TSB report. Pilot's inexperience was key factor in deadly 2011 plane crash

The Transportation Safety Board says the pilot's inexperience was a "central" factor in a plane crash two years ago that claimed his life and that of a passenger.

In an investigation report released Thursday, the agency says the pilot lost control of the Cessna 177A before crashing in rural Ottawa on Dec. 14, 2011.

The TSB says the plane had left Wilkes-Barre Airport in Pennsylvania and was headed toward Ottawa/Carp



Investigators look over the wreckage of a private plane that crashed in a field on Leiken Drive. JOE LOFARO/METRO

Airport when it was rerouted due to bad weather near its destination.

It says the flight took place at night under conditions "unfamiliar to the pilot," who was using flight instruments.

The fatal crash occurred as the plane approached Ottawa International Airport.

The TSB says experience dealing with night flights and flight instruments is key to preventing accidents.

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Watchdog report

CSIS improperly shared info on Montrealer: Report

A federal watchdog says the Canadian Security Intelligence Service inappropriately disclosed personal and classified info about a Montreal man, Abousfian Abdelrazik, while he was detained in Sudan.

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LICs

Local businesses urge mayor to help homeowners

Thirty local businesses, community organizations and environmental groups wrote to Mayor Jim Watson and all Ottawa City councillors Thursday urging them to use Local Improvement Charges (LICs) to help fund loans to homeowners. METRO

Notre Dame Street

Exotic reptiles seized from home

Gatineau police and animal control officers seized a collection of 17 exotic reptiles from a home on Notre Dame Street Wednesday night, including 15 reticulated pythons, a south Asian viper and a savannah monitor lizard.

STEVE COLLINS/FOR METRO



Beau's brewery co-founder Steve Beauchesne says retailing craft beer in grocery and corner stores would be no slam-dunk for small brewers, who would have to compete with multinational brewers able to pay higher shelving fees. GRAHAM LANKTREE/METRO

No beer in corner stores? That's fine with some brewers

Artisan brew.

Some small operators applaud the province's stance, claim Big Beer can monopolize shelves there just as easily

Despite the growing popularity of craft beer in Ontario, Premier Kathleen Wynne made it clear this week that the province isn't on board with the idea of selling craft beers and wines in grocery and convenience stores.

But surprisingly, at least some craft brewers — independent operations producing less than 400,000 hectolitres a year — aren't upset with the decision.

"As a craft brewer in Ontario, the biggest challenge is getting access to the customer," says Beau's Steve Beauchesne, a veteran of marketing artisan beer. "The Beer Store is a private for-profit company owned by

Labatt, Molson and Sleeman. It's how they sell their beer, and it's a monopoly. It's not in their interest to create markets for craft beer.

"That's wrong for the consumer, because there are many craft beers they won't carry. The consumer deserves more choice and if our product is good, we deserve the chance to compete with other beers."

What's more, Beauchesne doesn't agree that allowing brewers to sell in convenience stores and grocery stores will open up the market, because he says the big breweries that monopolize the Beer Store will monopolize shelf space just as easily.

What he'd like to see is the Beer Store out of the hands of Big Beer and returned to its roots, as it was in 1927 when it began as a not-for-profit co-operative where all brands were treated equally.

Failing that, Beauchesne thinks breweries should be allowed to sell their beer

in their own specialty beer and wine stores and at pubs, much like they do in the U.K.

Selling his craft beer would be prohibitively expensive for another local brewer, J.P. Fournier. The only way he says he's going to get his Turtle Island beer onto shelves is through LCBO stores, which charges much less to distribute his beer.

That means he has to pitch his product to LCBO brass in Toronto. If they like it, he might get space on a few shelves, if there's space.

"I want to be available on the retail level, but it's not a quick process," Fournier says. "As a small craft brewery, you have to be extremely creative in a market that is as competitive as this. We're currently selling 15,000 litres a month through our pub partners, but I hope that we will be able to sell bottle beer through our own shop when we open our own brewery in April 2014."

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Kenyan women cry for justice

Rally protests teen's gang-rape. Police freed suspects after making them cut grass as punishment

Hundreds of women in Kenya are protesting after a teenager was allegedly gang-raped and the only punishment for the suspects was that they had to mow the police station lawn.

About 300 women marched through Kenya's capital on Thursday to protest the alleged rape of a 16-year-old girl publicly identified only as Liz.

The online activist group Avaaz says Liz was gang-raped in June and she is now wheelchair-bound. The group says police arrested the suspected perpetrators but only made them cut grass at the police station as punishment.

More than 1.3 million people have signed an Avaaz petition calling for the prosecution of the alleged rapists

The alleged attack

The girl was attacked and repeatedly raped after returning from her grandfather's funeral in June, according to BBC News.

- She was thrown, unconscious, into a nearly seven-metre-deep pit latrine and suffered broken bones and spinal injury, the report said.
- When she was rescued she said she had been attacked by a gang of six men, but she could only identify three of them, the report added.

and an investigation of the police who freed the suspects.

One protester, Fanis Lisegali, noted that Liz now suffers from health problems, including a fistula. Lisegali said he wants the government to ensure that justice is carried out. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**



Hundreds of women protest at a demonstration in Kenya's capital, Nairobi, Thursday, after a teenager was allegedly gang-raped in June and no one was jailed. Police who arrested the suspected perpetrators freed them after only making them cut grass at a police station as punishment. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

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Remains of 360 people dug from Bosnia grave

Two decades after Serb soldiers conducted house-to-house searches in a campaign of ethnic killings in Bosnia, forensic scientists are digging up what could turn out to be the largest mass grave from the 1992-to-'95 war.

So far, the remains of 360 people have been found at the Tomasica mass grave discovered in September near the northern town of Prijedor, far more than expected, authorities said Thursday. The number is expected to rise and could one day surpass the 629 bodies found at Crni Vrh in Srebrenica.

The Missing Persons' Institute said the Tomasica grave is linked to a secondary one found in 2003 about 10 kilometres away, where 373 bodies were extracted. Authorities believe the killers moved parts of the remains from one grave to the other to hide the crime. In some cases, remains from the same person have been found in both graves.

Institute official Mujo Begic said the bodies are of Bosniak and Croat men, women and children killed in their villages during the war. Most



Forensic experts search for human remains at a mass grave in Tomasica, near the Bosnian town of Prijedor on Thursday. **AMEL EMRIC/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Grave size

5,000

The grave covers more than 5,000 square metres and is 10 metres deep.

of the victims were killed in their villages but teams have also found bullets in the grave, which indicates this was also an execution site, prosecutor Eldar Jahic said.

Near the grave, Vahida Behlic, 51, was sobbing as

she watched forensic experts carefully lifting bones from the site, where skeletons were piled on top of each other. She thinks one of the skeletons could be of her mother, who was 60 when Serb soldiers came, dragged her out of the basement and shot her in front of her house.

"I heard the story from a witness who survived because his own grandmother threw herself on him and covered him with her body," she said. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

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Party tensions set tone for Conservative convention in Alberta

Tough times for the Tories. MPs and delegates have begun to arrive in Calgary amid political controversy

A flood postponed their convention in the spring — now Conservatives are facing a deluge of political challenges as they gather in the party's heartland.

The ongoing Senate expenses scandal and allegations of a coverup at the most senior levels is expected to be a hot topic in the convention corridors, even if the upper chamber is not officially on the agenda.

The Conservative caucus and senior ranks have been wearied by the controversy. Some say they have felt broadsided by constant bursts of new information — including em-



A cameraman adjusts his camera in the main hall at the Conservative convention in Calgary Thursday. JEFF MCINTOSH/THE CANADIAN PRESS

battled Sen. Mike Duffy's latest revelation that the party paid \$13,500 for his legal fees. That's in addition to the \$90,000 the prime minister's chief of staff secretly gave to Duffy to repay contested living expenses.

But the roller-coaster ride in Ottawa hasn't appeared to put a damper on registrations for the convention.

MPs and delegates began

streaming into the city Thursday, as registration opened at the Calgary stampede grounds — an area that was underwater during the June floods.

Party president John Walsh says despite the change in dates due to this spring's flooding in Alberta, he predicts a record 3,000 people will attend Stephen Harper's keynote speech Friday night. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**



Happy Flood-o-ween!

A man walks through flood waters in Austin, Texas, on Quicksilver Boulevard with two dogs after heavy rains brought flooding to the southeast area on Thursday. The National Weather Service said more than a foot of rain fell in Central Texas, including up to 14 inches in Wimberley, since rainstorms began Wednesday.

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Man rescued months after bear attack

A man has been rescued, clinging to his life, after spending three months in a remote forest during which he survived a bear attack.

Police are sharing the improbable story of Marco Lavoie, 44, an experienced hiker who set off on what was supposed to be a two-month excursion on July 16, 2013. Police can't say exactly when the bear attack occurred but it was likely in mid-August.

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Three pumpkins

Jacked-up-o'-lantern

Montreal border officials have stumbled upon a Halloween surprise.

The Canada Border Services Agency says a woman was arrested Thursday with three pumpkins in her luggage at Montreal's Trudeau International Airport. The pumpkins were allegedly stuffed with two kilograms of what is believed to be cocaine. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Britain. Prosecutor enlivens phone-hacking trial with sexy allegation

In a blockbuster court declaration in Britain's phone-hacking trial, prosecutor Andrew Edis says two of Rupert Murdoch's senior tabloid executives — Andy Coulson and Rebekah Brooks — had an affair lasting at least six years.

The affair covered the period when she was editor of Murdoch's News of the World tabloid and Coulson was her deputy. Coul-

son later edited the same paper and then became a top media adviser to Prime Minister David Cameron.

Edis made the disclosure Thursday during Coulson and Brooks' trial on phone-hacking allegations, the first major criminal case to go to court in the hacking saga. Coulson, Brooks, and her husband, Charles, all deny the charges against them. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**



Former News of the World editor and Downing Street communications chief Andy Coulson, left, and Rebekah Brooks had an affair, court was told Thursday. KIRSTY WIGGLESWORTH/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Alexis Dusonchet: Empowering others

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When Alexis Dusonchet began to volunteer his time, he didn't expect that he would soon gain a new workout buddy.

An avid physical fitness buff, Dusonchet hits the gym almost every day. Once a week he works out with Cooper Gage, a man with an intellectual disability who is determined to improve his fitness level. The two met through LiveWorkPlay, a charity that helps people with intellectual disabilities live, work and play as valuable contributors to the community.

"When Cooper and I first met, he could see that I was a bit of a gym rat and he asked if I could help him get in shape," Dusonchet said. "It was right up my alley and we've been at it ever since."

Nearly two years later, the results are plain to see.

"I can really feel and see the difference," Gage said. "Alexis has helped me with technique, diet, and motivation. I'm in much better shape than I was and I look forward to exercising. Working out has also helped me in other areas of my life."

Gage, in his mid-30s, works part time in a bank mailroom and lives on his own.

"I've really enjoyed working with Cooper because it's obviously had such a big impact on both of us," Dusonchet said. "There's no better feeling than empowering others to live their lives to the fullest extent possible, a privilege that not all of us enjoy. His upbeat nature and positive attitude inspire me to no end."

Dusonchet had volunteered for various organizations in Montreal before moving to Ottawa several years ago. To establish himself in a new city, he focused mostly on career — working at the Office of the Auditor Gen-

Impact

"Working out has also helped me in other areas of my life."

Cooper Gage

eral and then the Canadian Human Rights Commission. Once he decided to get back into volunteering four years ago, Dusonchet was drawn to LiveWorkPlay's creative, friendly energy and its vision of a community where everyone belongs. Earlier this year, he joined the organization's board of directors.

"At LiveWorkPlay, we believe that the community holds the answers to welcoming persons with intellectual disabilities," Dusonchet said. "As an organization, we're committed to achieving measurable outcomes. And honouring this commitment has enabled our members to lead fuller, richer lives."



Alexis Dusonchet, left, and workout buddy Cooper Gage. CONTRIBUTED

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The dream of lazy people everywhere. Amazon set to deliver groceries to you

Online retailer Amazon is taking on supermarkets by delivering food directly to Canadians' doorsteps.

The retail giant, which built its business selling books and entertainment through the mail, launched its new grocery category Thursday, in what's certain to be an intensifying battle between grocers.

Amazon says the initial selection includes 15,000 non-perishable grocery products, like coffee, cereal and baby food, from a variety of brands such as Campbell, Nestle, Pepsi and Kellogg.

While the launch doesn't include perishables like milk, fruits or vegetables, it's a strong sign that Amazon

Tailoring the experience

"No one customer is the same, so our focus is on providing a broad selection of brands so that customers can easily and instantly find and buy exactly what they are looking for."

Amazon.ca country manager Alexandre Gagnon, said in an emailed response.

wants to make inroads in an area of the food business that hasn't been tapped by any company in Canada outside of major cities. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Fired for being late

Disabled Walmart greeter gets job back after outcry

Walmart is giving a disabled Colorado man his job back after he was fired as a store greeter for clocking in late after lunches. Matt Wood suffered a brain injury in a car crash and has worked for Walmart since 2008.

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Text away

Cells on a plane: FAA lifts ban on electronic devices

Airline passengers won't have to "turn off all electronic devices" anymore — they'll be able to read, work, play games, watch movies and listen to music under new guidelines from the Federal Aviation Administration. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

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'Kitchen consigliere' cooks up mob resto

Convict turned chef.

Instead of swimming with the fishes, Angelo Lutz is serving up fish dishes, and other classic Italian fare

When he was on trial for racketeering, Angelo Lutz denied the mob's existence, but now he's using his past in organized crime to promote his new restaurant, the Kitchen Consigliere.

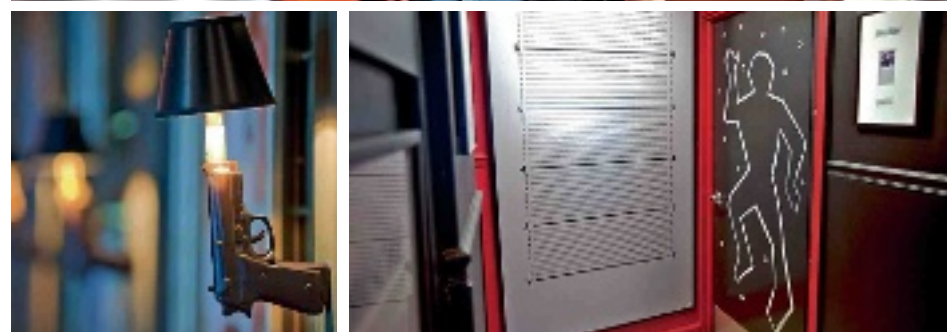
The sign out front echoes the logo for The Godfather, but with a chef's hat. A mural on one wall puts Lutz, also known as Fat Ange, at a table with famous gangsters, both real (John Gotti) and fictional (Tony Soprano). Sconces to hold lights look like 9 mm handguns.

Lutz is using some unsavoury associations as he attempts a transformation from prisoner to opinionated celebrity chef.

Last week, he moved his operations from an 11-table restaurant to one three times as large on a prominent corner of the hip, foodie-friendly Philadelphia suburb of Collingswood.

Lutz, 49, grew up in South Philadelphia, where food was a big part of his life. According to federal prosecutors and a jury, he also did some bad along the way.

He was one of seven men convicted in a 2001 mob trial that made him a celebrity. He was the only non-"made" member of La



Angelo Lutz, who served several years in prison for racketeering and extortion, plays up his criminal past in the decor of his restaurant — complete with cheesy gun lamps and faux bullet holes in a door. **MATT ROURKE/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Costa Nostra in the case and the only defendant allowed bail during the trial. And he talked and talked while he was out, calling into a sports talk radio show and cooking steaks for a TV news reporter.

The night before he entered prison, he cooked for

Difference of opinion

"I'm not a gangster. ... The government considered me a gangster ... But what I am now is a businessman."

Angelo Lutz, one of seven men convicted in a 2001 mob trial that made him a celebrity.

his own going-away party, leading one TV reporter to call him "the kitchen consigliere." **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Put a stamp on it. Cavalcade of Canadians to appear on your mail

Singing superstar Shania Twain and the late Saskatchewan curler Sandra Schmirler are among the notable Canadians who will be celebrated with postage stamps in 2014.

To coincide with the upcoming Winter Olympics in Sochi, Russia, a series of stamps will be issued in February commemorating notable Canadian athletes.

And several country music

stars will be feted by Canada Post in a series to be issued in July — including Twain, Tommy Hunter, k.d. lang, Renee Martel and Hank Snow.

Other new stamps will commemorate the 100th anniversary of the Royal Ontario Museum, the 75th anniversary of the National Film Board, the return of the CFL to Ottawa and the UNESCO World Heritage Site series.

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KITTY DOUBLES AS CANDY MAN

1 Diploma-see? North Korea's Kim Jong-un received an honorary PhD from a private Malaysian university. The institution bestowed the leader with a doctor of economics degree. Dr. Kim will, no doubt, wield the title with a straight face while governing one of the world's most dysfunctional countries, but on the bright side, maybe now he can get another job.

2 Spy vs. spy. There was an outcry of shock and disbelief in Europe after discovering that the U.S. National Security Agency was listening in on high-ranking Spanish, German and French officials. Government spokespeople issued disapproving statements with words like "disgraceful," or "appalling," referring of course to the act of getting caught.

3 Mama say what? Just months after Kim Kardashian gave birth to her daughter, the reality star is thinking of posing for Playboy again. Apparently, she is eager to show all of those people that made fun of her weight gain that she is hot again. Way to go,



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Kimmy. It's nice to see those maternal instincts kicking in.

4 Here's lookin' at you. Employing eye-tracking technology that measures, in milliseconds, how long the eyes are fixed on certain spots, a new study revealed that men spent more time on women's bodies than their faces. Before this technology, scientists lacked conclusive proof as they relied solely on verbal information, which brings us to two conclusions: Men are perverts, AND liars. And people say we don't spend enough on education.

5 Oops. A teaching assistant at the University of Iowa sent her math students an email saying, "Hi Class, I attach the solutions for number 76 and 78." Instead, she accidentally sent nude

pictures of her and a man pleasuring themselves. The images went viral immediately, but even more regrettable was that some students spent the entire night trying to figure out how those images could possibly add up to the square root of a prime

number.

6 The pusher. A cat in the European Republic of Moldova had been travelling freely in and out of the local prison through a hole in a fence. Suspicious guards apprehended the feline and discovered two packets of cannabis attached to its collar. The cat's lawyer argued that it was prescribed for a medical condition, and drew a plea bargain in exchange for the whereabouts of a long sought-after bunny rabbit that had been hiding out nearby.

7 This week in music. In 1998, Cher became the first woman over 50 to have a No. 1 single in the U.K. with Believe. But when Cher does something, she goes all the way. The song hit No. 1 in another 22 countries as well. That was 15 years ago, and she probably has one left in her.

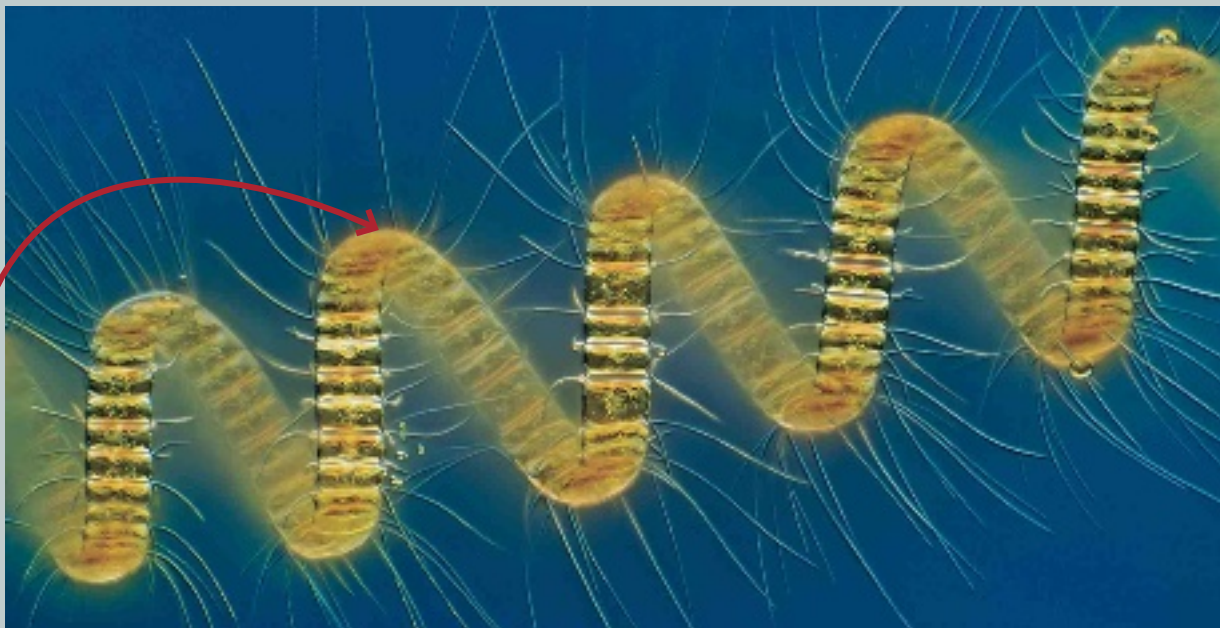
8 Walk on the Wild Side. This week, we lost rock 'n' roll pioneer Lou Reed, lead singer and songwriter for one of the greatest bands to barely sell any records, The Velvet Underground. Lou was a poet and innovator of change. He walked softly with purpose, blazing a trail for all who followed. He will be missed.

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ZOOM

Here little phytoplankton...



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Marine diatom pic wins contest

An image of a hairy, coiled yet sublimely beautiful phytoplankton has won this year's Nikon Small World Photomicrography Competition, which showcases the best photographs taken through the microscope.

The picture of Chaetoceros debilis, a marine diatom, was captured by Dutch photographer Wim van Egmond. **METRO**

Q and A

'They are tragically beyond our perception'



WIM VAN EGMOND
Photographer, 47,
from Berkel en
Roddenijs, the
Netherlands

What exactly is it?

This particular species forms a colony in the shape of a chain like a helix. I gathered this sample from the North Sea by

the Dutch coast.

Why is taking photographs of plankton so important?

I'm basically shining a light on a world that we know very little about, but one that is so important to our existence. Diatoms produce almost half of the Earth's oxygen through photosynthesis in our oceans. What's more, diatoms and other plankton are the foundation of the food chain in the

natural world. Their role in our lives cannot be understated, but since diatoms seem invisible to us, they are tragically beyond our perception.

You're a die-hard diatom fan ...

Yes, they are so wonderful and bizarre; with 25,000 different species of them, with no two individuals exactly alike, diatoms are an endless source of inspiration. This is the basis from which all life started. **METRO**

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While I'm not advocating for public shaming or mob justice, once in a while, people just have to be put in their place. And sometimes, just sometimes, that only works if someone's watching. Luckily, when it comes to Twitter, someone (or some algorithm) is always watching. Consider yourself warned.

@yesyoureracist:

Generally, if someone starts a sentence with "I'm not racist, but ..." they are clearly racist. This bot retweets those fools in an attempt to school them out of their idiotic, backwater ways. Halloween should be a particularly busy time for this bot with people still asking, "Why is blackface racist?"

@yesyouresexist:

The lesser-known offspring of @yesyoureracist works in the same way but, as imagined, calls people out on their sexist slip-ups. "I'm not sexist but females never have valid opinions on sports." Jerk.



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@metropicks asked:
What's the best way to explain to an eight-year-old the calamity that is @TOMayorFord?
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@SmidorTyutin: "Remember the time daddy had too much beer? This miserable son of a b--ch has had too much beer all the time."

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Synopsis

When Tim Lake (Domhnall Gleeson) turned 21 his father (Bill Nighy) lets him in on a family secret — he comes from a long line of time travelers. With visions of inter-dimensional travel in his head he does what any 21-year-old might do — use his unique ability to get a girlfriend. The object of his affections is Mary (Rachel McAdams), but to win her over he'll have to use his special gift to hone his Casanova skills. As they live their lives together he comes to discover that not everything can be solved with a quick trip back in time.

Richard: ●●●●●

Mark: ●●●●●



About Time, starring Rachel McAdams and Domhnall Gleeson, opens this weekend. CONTRIBUTED

Reel Guys

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CROUSE AND
MARK BRESLIN



Running out of Time

About Time. Rachel McAdams continues to take on time travel movies but the latest seems to hit the right note with a sentimental approach

Richard: Mark, this is the kind of movie critics will call sappy and sentimental. They'll bash it because it wears its heart on its sleeve, which is exactly the reason I liked it.

After *The Time Traveler's Wife* it's time Rachel McAdams got a time travel romance right. It's a silly premise but for me the idea wasn't about the time travel, but the lessons Tim learns

from the time travel about life and happiness. What do you think?

Mark: Richard, as you know, I am no fun. No fun at all. So I spent most of the movie looking for paradoxes in the physics of the time travel conceit. Like all time travel movies, it sets up arbitrary rules, and then breaks them all over the place.

The movie features two of the worst haircuts in the history of cinema, and a romance I didn't really care about. But there's another deeper movie in there, which is a movie about fathers and sons, and I liked that part very much. Sentimental? Yes, but I felt that part of the movie worked better than its rom-com components. Of course, it could have been the haircuts.

RC: I didn't actually care much about the romance angle or the time travel. I was drawn to the film because of Domhnall Gleeson's charming and slightly goofy performance.

If John Hughes had made British films he would have loved this guy. He does have a bad haircut, but I thought he was a charming, if unlikely, leading man. He has a way with a line and I felt there was a real arc to his character. He literally grows up and becomes a man on screen, which is something you don't see in rom-coms very often.

MB: True enough, although I always thought there should be a law barring gingers from appearing in television and film.

I liked a lot of the scenes in the movie, especially one set in one of those noir restaurants, where you eat in total darkness. It's a literal blind date, and a nice twist on "meeting cute." Bill Nighy is wonderful in the movie, as he always is, and Rachel McAdams does a good version of cute, although she looked about five years too old for the part.

But then Gleeson would go into a closet and ball his fists and ... some of the goodwill was lost for me.

RC: Richard E. Grant's three-minute cameo is almost worth the price of admission. He has one of the best reaction shots I've seen this year.

MB: And a similar hairline as Nighy. Hmmm....

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2 SCENE

Animated



Free Birds

Director. Jimmy Hayward

Stars. Owen Wilson, Amy Poehler

A ridiculous series of events sends Reggie (Wilson) on a mission to stop his fellow fowl from being served at the first Thanksgiving and thus save millions of birds from becoming the centre-piece of the traditional meal for the rest of history. One should expect a certain level of unreality from a film about time-travelling turkeys. But Free Birds is so far-fetched and implausible that it's practically unwatchable. Even comedic favourites Wilson and Poehler can't breathe any life into the absurd plot.

REGAN REID

Action



Ender's Game

Director. Gavin Hood

Stars. Asa Butterfield, Harrison Ford

According to Orson Scott Card's hit novel Ender's Game, the future of mankind rests on turning kids into extraterrestrial killing machines and cadet commander Harrison Ford has his sights set on one conflicted adolescent saviour. While the drama is solemnly serious and short on fun, the performances (especially young Asa Butterfield) are decent and the effects entertaining enough to likely keep many kiddies captivated. For the rest of us, Ender's Game is simply played out.

STEVE GOW

Comedy



Last Vegas

Director. Jon Turteltaub

Stars. Robert De Niro, Michael Douglas, Morgan Freeman and Kevin Kline

Take every cliché about ageing Lotharios, blend in barroom brawls, boobs and booze, add four ageing Academy Award winners doing embarrassing things and you have Last Vegas. The Flatbush Four childhood pals reunite in Vegas to celebrate one's marriage to a 32-year-old, but a woman of a more appropriate vintage (Mary Steenburgen) enters the picture, dividing the group. Cardboard characters deliver lines that sound hollow. Considering the talents involved it's a shame.

ANNE BRODIE

Drama



Bastards

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Channing Tatum. Actor's burlesque magic gets its own A&E docuseries

The channel that brings us Duck Dynasty is getting a whole lot sexier.

Channing Tatum is producing a docuseries for A&E following the lives of New Orleans exotic dancers.

The series will follow several entertainers who work at Saints and Sinners, the burlesque club Tatum opened last year.

While Tatum hasn't revealed whether or not he will appear on the show, his "magic" touch is sure to help with ratings and provide some variety to the channel famous for Storage Wars and American Hog-

gers. Producer Charlie Corwin, known for a slew of TV shows and movies ranging from The Rachel Zoe Project to The Squid and the Whale, has also signed on.

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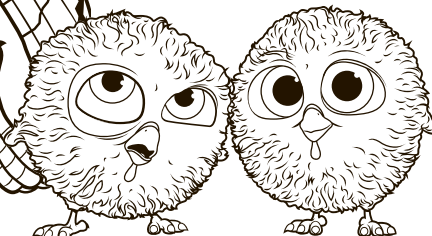
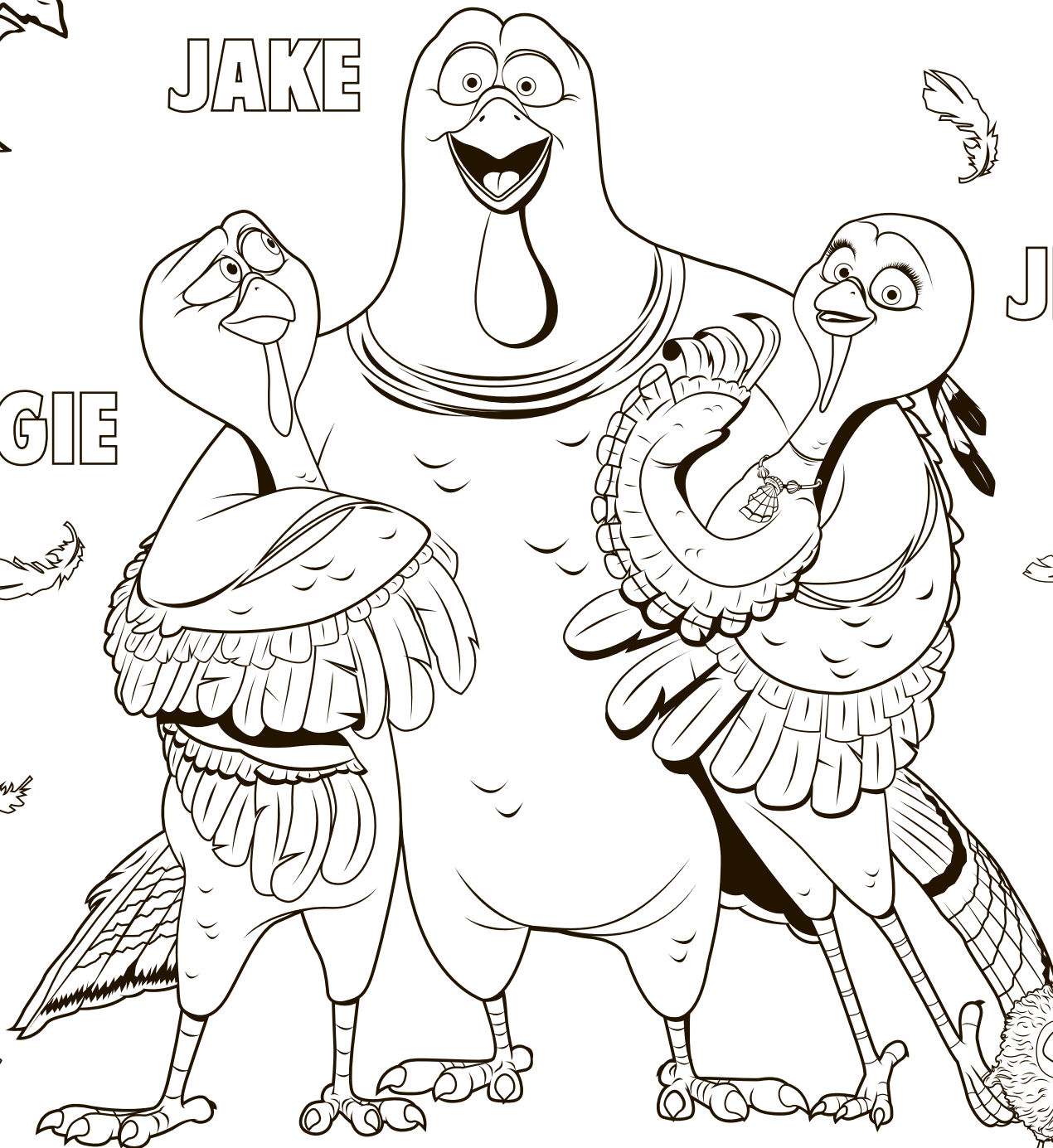
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There's more to Loki than his mane of long black hair

Thor: The Dark World.

Tom Hiddleston is OK with not reprising his role in the next Avengers because he's busy with other projects



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Metro World News in Hollywood

Tom Hiddleston has made a name for himself as Thor's brother and main nemesis, with Thor: the Dark World marking his third big-screen turn as the Norse god of mischief. Hiddleston even showed up to Comic-Con this summer in character to delight fans during the Marvel presentation, though his character won't be appearing in Avengers: the Age of Ultron. But that's fine by Hiddleston, who has plenty of other projects to keep him busy.

What was your honest reaction when Joss Whedon told you Loki would not be in the second Avengers film?

My honest reaction was, "That's fine." I never wanted to overstay my welcome, and I've had such a good run with the character. I've enjoyed it so much. It was expected, to be honest, that Joss told me he wasn't going to put me in it. So yeah, my honest reaction was, "All right. Maybe it's time for me to play a few characters who don't have long black hair."

Between your turns at playing Loki, you've also been working in some independent films and a ton of Shakespeare. How do you approach jumping between so many diverse projects?

I honestly love doing them all; it's really true. I get so many different things from each. I've never wanted to impose limits on my work. Actors make the best choices they can in the moment, and quite often the way the

picture is assembled, it looks like there's been some grand master plan, but actually it's all very accidental. I just have a genuine love for it all. I suppose I've always wanted to be able to jump between things. I never wanted to be just the Shakespeare guy and I certainly never wanted to be just the superhero guy or even the indie kid. I should be so lucky, frankly, that I get to do any of these things. I think the variety really keeps me sharp. I had a day between getting back from Tangier (for Jim Jarmusch's Only Lovers Left Alive) and starting on Thor 2. The head shift was very quick. I finished with Tilda (Swinton); I flew back from Morocco; I put my clothes in the washing machine and the next morning I got up and I was in Asgard with Chris Hemsworth. And I love that. I love that that's what my life is. Here I am talking to you, then I'll go home and I'll start Coriolanus. It's nice.



Tom Hiddleston returns as Loki next Friday in Thor: the Dark World.
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Zombies

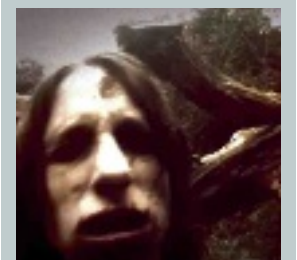
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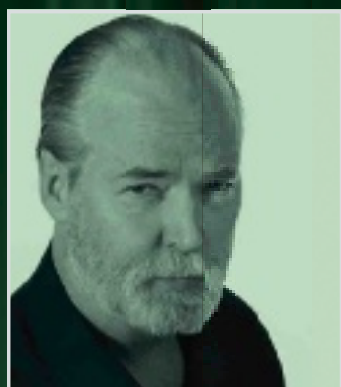
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Douglas Coupland is a Canadian novelist, visual artist and designer. His first novel, published in 1991, was *Generation X: Tales for an Accelerated Culture*. He has published 13 novels, a collection of short stories, seven nonfiction books, and a number of dramatic works and screenplays for film and television. Douglas Coupland's novels and visual work synthesize high and low culture, web technology, religion, and changes in human existence caused by modern technologies.

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Blue Rodeo reboots with new album to stay in the game

Coming up. The band will embark on a two-month Canadian tour in the new year, hitting all 10 provinces before wrapping on March 2 in Montreal

Blue Rodeo's last release, the sprawling double album *The Things We Left Behind*, was a critical and commercial success that returned the Toronto alt-country originals to platinum status for the first time since 2002. Creatively they were riding high — and yet, behind the scenes, it felt as though they could be nearing the end.

Co-frontman Greg Keelor's hearing issues had only been growing more severe, and performing live was such a painful chore that he couldn't be around volume at all. In concert, he might as well have

been relegated to special-guest status, limited as he was to materializing for a few acoustic songs scattered about the set.

"That was getting really bad," the band's other mastermind, Jim Cuddy, said in a recent interview seated next to Keelor. "It was such a bad version of the band."

So, they changed the band — drastically. Almost four years elapsed between that album and this week's release of their rich latest, *In Our Nature*. That's the longest gap between studio albums in Blue Rodeo's quarter-century-plus history.

At Cuddy's suggestion, the band swapped stage monitors for in-ear monitors that would be easier on Keelor's battered ears. They made Colin Cripps an official member on electric guitar, so that Keelor could play only acoustic and sing. They stood in a different formation onstage, to keep Keelor away from the sources of the loudest noise.

And, Cuddy says, it funda-

Old tensions

The band recorded 1995's *Nowhere to Here* during a particularly fractious period between Keelor and Cuddy.

- The band works as well as it does in part because of the friction between Cuddy and Keelor's opposing styles — Cuddy with his approachable tuneful pop-country, and Keelor with his tendency toward moodier material.

mentally changed the sound of the band's naturalistic new set of tunes.

"I think it's one of our best-sounding records," Cuddy says. "What we intended, that's what it sounds like. It's kind of woolly and comfortable. And I think it's got a lot of strength and the stuff's really played (well)."

Though they have a pristine studio in downtown Toronto, they headed off to Keelor's country farm to make the album above Cuddy's mild consternation.

"It was the only place I knew I could contribute to the record the way I wanted to," Keelor says. "It was a way that I'd worked out for myself to play music again. So I'm very grateful to everyone for doing that for me."

Meanwhile, the rustic setting grew on Cuddy.

"It became this beautiful holiday all down in the country," he said. "The band had coalesced because of all the playing we'd done."

The band has experienced some difficult periods in the past, but they seem to be in a good place at the moment.

"For the last few years, we've had a very harmonious group of people. It's not like stuff doesn't happen. It's sort of amazing. It's a little microcosm of a society." **THE CANADIAN PRESS**



Jim Cuddy and Blue Rodeo are back with a new album called *In Our Nature*. PATRICK DOYLE/THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Ellen Page and Willem DaFoe star in this complex journey through the



lifetime of a woman with supernatural powers. Page's remarkable motion-captured acting adds an emotional weight few games deliver.

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Arcade Fire's new album has been met with mixed reviews.

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Reflektor. Album's not quite on fire this time

The reviews are in, and Arcade Fire's sprawling new opus Reflektor has critics deeply divided.

The 75-minute, two-disc followup to the Montreal band's Grammy-winning hit The Suburbs has received some raves, but perhaps not the near-universal praise of their past work.

On the positive side, influential music website Pitchfork — one of Arcade Fire's earliest champions — lavished the album with a 9.2 review, concluding that Reflek-

tor is "an album that dares to be great, and remarkably succeeds."

One didn't have to look far for a negative counterbalance, however.

In a shrugging three-out-of-five-star review, the Guardian criticized the record's length and ultimately declared that Reflektor "sounds like the work of a band that have plenty of good ideas, but increasingly can't tell them from their bad ones — or won't be told."

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Unconventional song covers



SOUND CHECK
Alan Cross
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All three of this week's tracks are covers—but they're not exactly what you'd call tributes

No Woman No Drive/Alaa Wardi

With more Saudi women openly defying the country's ban on them driving, local star Alaa Wardi offers his



support by rewriting a Bob Marley classic.

jlylntaHvIS not qajegh/A Couple of Klingons

No, that title isn't a typo.

If you're going to Rickroll your friends, why not do it in Kling-



on? I'm sure this song had the High Council rolling in the aisles back on Qo'noS.

Sail/A Tesla Coil

Tesla Coils can provide endless fun, especially when harnessed to create music. Still, I wouldn't try this at home.



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Douglas Coupland is Canada's official Cool Guy. He earned the title not only because he creates cool things — books of fiction, reportage, and biography; cultural commentary; visual art; sculpture; furniture — but also because, unlike, say, Drake or those guys who started VICE magazine, he plies his various trades here, in Canada, without apologizing for where he lives.

He simply, humbly, writes, sculpts, designs and collates from his base in Vancouver, telling us about our country and about the world as it's currently lived in. He works hard and produces material constantly. It's a

fortunate thing that one of our culture's closest and most versatile observers is also one of its exemplars.

Coupland's newest novel, his 14th, is *Worst. Person. Ever.*, a lewd, rude globe-trotting picaresque that follows the eponymous scoundrel, a singularly profane television cameraman named Raymond Gunt, on a calamitous sex-, booze- and four-letter-word-fuelled hell-trek from London to L.A. to Honolulu to Micronesia.

Raymond, described on the book jacket as "a living, walking, talking, hot steaming pile of pure id," chases chemical and sexual pleasure with abandon, leers unself-consciously at every woman in his field of vision and frequently fantasizes about literally enslaving his fellow man. If nothing else, it's the perfect gag gift for the clergyperson on your Christmas list. I recently talked to Coupland, via email, about the book.

A theme in your fiction that goes all the way back to generation X and that is present in *Worst. Person. Ever.* is the

human need to turn life into story. What is the difference, if any, between telling your self stories about your life and telling yourself lies?

I think in this case it's the difference between how others see you and how you really are. Self-delusion is always funny.

Raymond Gunt tells the reader that he's charitable, understanding, worldly, open-minded and peace-loving. But his conduct, to put it mildly, suggests otherwise. Why do you think he — an impulse-driven guy who lives to party and get laid — claims so insistently that he's broad-minded and selfless?

Simple: He thinks it will somehow get him laid.

You tweeted a link to the *Guardian's* negative review of *W.P.E.*, saying that the review's author "took the bait." What did you mean by that?

She took it at face value and actually thought the book was being put forth as literature — and then reviewed it as such. I mean, how fucking clueless can you be? It's a fun risqué

More online

- Read the rest of the interview — including Coupland's takes on '80s music, Alice Munro, literary experimentalism and the likelihood that the world as we know it is ending — on metronews.ca.



read and seeks to be nothing more.

Much of your past work is breezy and funny but, at least as I read it, intends to rise to the level of serious art. What made you want to do something with lower esthetic stakes?

Fun! No, seriously: fun. Really. Fun.

Speaking of fun — *W.P.E.* has a lot of cursing and locker-roomish sex talk and a decent amount of violence. Are there any people who you think shouldn't read the book?

Not my call. But in the same way that you probably wouldn't leave martinis lying around your house, you probably might not leave *W.P.E.* around either.

Who's the worst person ever in real life?



Author Douglas Coupland chats with Matt LaForge at Metro's Toronto office earlier this week. DAVID VAN DYKE/METRO

That I've met in person?

The person who Raymond is modelled on — an English cameraman at a shoot I did in Los Angeles in 1993.

The characters in *W.P.E.* spend huge amounts of time travelling in airplanes. There's a lot of flying in planes in your books, and you've written essays about the unpleasant-

ness of air travel. Make three recommendations for the immediate improvement of air passengers' lives.

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Talking Temp on the radio

Author Douglas Coupland, centre, was joined by Metro Canada Editor-in-Chief Charlotte Empey for a taping of Extra Entertainment Extra!, Metro movie columnist Richard Crouse's syndicated radio show, earlier this week. Coupland and Empey were there to talk about *Temp*, his new serialized work of fiction that will appear in Metro starting on Monday. You can listen to the interview with Coupland at newstalk1010.com on Saturday at 4:30 p.m. METRO

David Arquette could use a top-notch PR handler right about now

David Arquette drunk-dialed the Howard Stern Show last night, and wow did he say some stuff. Highlights included backhanded compliments to Hitler.

"Listen, listen, listen — I've gotta say something on the N-word later — but Hitler played the game very well. He did. Listen, yeah, he played his game very well. He convinced a lot of people to play his f-king evil game. He played the game really well, but he was playing the wrong game."

Luckily he didn't manage to make it to whatever he had to say about the N-word, but he did happen to refer to Coco, his daughter with Courteney Cox, as his "first kid."

Wait, does that mean he had other kids? When? David didn't answer when Howard asked him, just "sort of wheezed and mumbled, giving no direct answer," as HowardStern.com puts it.

Arquette seemed dimly aware that things weren't going so hot. "Listen I'm



David Arquette

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going to be brutally honest with you and if that means tomorrow I have to get sober, I will get sober. I've been going on this whole Mayan thing lately. ... Are you with me? So, let's play the right game."

Yes, let's. The non-Hitler game. And in Arquette's case, maybe the "just seltzer water for me, thanks," game.

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NEWS IN NEW YORK CITY

The Word

The celebs who creep us out the most



THE
WORD
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Sitting around the slightly rotten office jack-o'-lantern, on Halloween day while popping sour candies into our mouths, we asked our fellow Metro staffers which celebrity scared them the most. Read it now — if you dare. Bwahahahahahahaha!

Raquel Welch

We're pretty sure Raquel Welch is one of the Tupperware moms from the tv series Eerie, Indiana — the kind that sleep in Tupperware coffins to stay fresh. She doesn't seem to be aging. See photo for evidence.

Bruce Jenner

What he's done to his once-handsome face is more gasp-inducing than watch-



ing The Conjuring.

Steve Buscemi's mouth

Look, we love the guy, but you really wouldn't want to brush up against his grill in a dark alley, would you?

Mel Gibson

What has he been up to since his anti-Semetic rant? We'd be spooked to venture into his basement at this point. Dude is probably working on something he wants no one to see.

Taylor Swift

We're not going to lie, it keeps us up at night worrying about what pretty young man-thing she'll set her blond succubus sights on next. Boys beware.

METRO DISH

OUR TAKE ON THE WORLD OF CELEBRITIES



Justin Bieber

Justin's new hobby? Vandalism

Justin Bieber has apparently found a new activity to amuse himself — graffiti. The Canadian pop star posted several photos to Instagram of himself engaged in his "new hobby" while on tour, spraying city walls with

crude cartoons and messages. On one wall, he's seen writing, "R.I.P. Pac," though it's unclear if he's honouring Tupac Shakur or his recently deceased hamster, which he named after the late rapper — or both.



Joe Jonas

The smack talk is getting to Joe Jonas

Joe Jonas is fighting off rumours that drug problems may have contributed to the breakup of his band, the Jonas Brothers. "It's obviously not true. I've never touched heroin in my life," he tells People

magazine. "It's hilarious to me, but also frustrating as well. I was walking down the street and people are asking me if they can give me a hug and how rehab is. I'm like, 'You tell me because I've never been.'"

Acne and bad hair: Michael was a normal-looking teenager

Michael Fassbender apparently hasn't been keeping up with popular opinion, because he doesn't think he's all that attractive. "I've never really thought of myself as good-looking. I think of myself as, you know, all right," he tells the U.K. edition of Elle magazine. "I used to have bad acne as a teenager, so all of this is a bonus now, the fact that I don't have pimples anymore. And my hair was also, you know, unfortunate."



Michael Fassbender

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To mark the victory of good over evil, revellers light lanterns around the home, set off fireworks outside and create design patterns called rangoli on

the floor using coloured powders or sand.

Food also plays an important role with families coming together to enjoy a savoury meal and share sweets.

To join in the celebration, make a simple and quick version of Palak Paneer, glowing with the warm, spicy flavours of cumin, coriander and chili powder. It cooks up quickly and pairs with a side of warm naan bread or Basmati rice,

1. In a large, deep skillet, heat butter and oil over medium-high heat until butter melts. Add onions and garlic; sauté about 2 minutes or until tender.

Stir in coriander, chili powder and cumin; sauté 30 seconds or until fragrant; stirring well to prevent spices from burning.

2. Stir in puréed spinach, yogurt and salt; reduce heat to

medium-low and cook covered for 10 minutes or until it starts to bubble. Stir in paneer; cook covered 6 minutes or until paneer softens and is cooked through. Give it a final stir and serve warm. DAIRYGOODNESS.CA

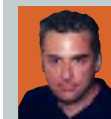
Ingredients

- 2 tbsp (30 ml) butter
- 1 tbsp (15 ml) vegetable oil
- 1 medium onion, finely chopped
- 3 garlic cloves, minced
- 1 tsp (5 ml) ground coriander
- 1/2 tsp (2 ml) chili powder
- 1/2 tsp (2 ml) ground cumin

- 1 package (300 g) frozen spinach, thawed and puréed
- 1/2 cup (125 ml) plain yogurt whisked until smooth
- Salt to taste
- 12 oz (350 g) paneer, cut into bite-sized pieces (about 2 cups/500 ml)

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Down Under inspiration



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Do you pooh-poo Australian table wines? If so, I can't blame you. Though offering some of the wine world's most popular brands, the juice from Down Under has become repetitive.

There is plenty of good news. This time last year, I was on a three-week Aussie odyssey and had my glass filled with oodles of mind-blowing wines that are now arriving across Canada.

South Australia's McLaren Vale has perplexed me. Best known for its fuller-bodied reds (especially shiraz), I've often found many of them lacking in that punch of flavour that makes a good wine great.

I'm betting its wine-makers recognized that.

On my tour, I found an invigorated region and was soon populating my tasting notebook with the words "exciting" and "innovative."

Chapel Hill 2011 Parson's Nose Shiraz (\$19.99) is a perfect example of this new wave flowing from McLaren Vale. Named for an ironstone chapel built on the winery's property in 1865, it's an old school shiraz with a thick, plummy body and black, anise spice finish that makes it ideal for a juicy steak, or anything up-front and beefy. **PRICES REFLECT THE RANGE ACROSS THE COUNTRY. SOME PRODUCTS MAY NOT BE AVAILABLE IN ALL PROVINCES.**



The right touch of heat

1. In a pot, melt butter over medium heat. Add garlic,

Ingredients

- 1 tbsp (15 ml) butter
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 1 tbsp (15 ml) curry powder
- 1/2 tsp (2 ml) ground ginger
- 2 carrots, sliced
- 1 large sweet potato, peeled and cut into cubes
- 1 sweet red pepper, chopped
- 1 cup (250 ml) reduced-sodium ready-to-use vegetable broth

- 2 tbsp (30 ml) all-purpose flour
- 1 cup (250 ml) 10% half-and-half or 18% table cream
- 19 oz (540 ml) 1 can chick peas, drained and rinsed
- 1 cup (250 ml) frozen green peas
- Salt
- 1/2 cup (125 ml) plain yogurt
- Lime wedges

curry powder and ginger, and sauté for 30 seconds or until softened. Add carrots, sweet potato and red pepper and sauté for about 5 minutes or until the carrots start to soften.

2. Stir in broth and 1/2 tsp (1 ml) salt. Increase heat to high and bring to a boil, stirring often.

3. Reduce heat to medium-low, cover and simmer for 10 min or until vegetables are almost tender.



The Vegetarian Sweet Potato and Chickpea Curry serves four. DAIRYGOODNESS.CA

4. Whisk flour into cream and stir into pan with chickpeas and green peas. Simmer, stirring, for about 3 min or until sauce has thickened and

peas are hot. Season to taste with salt. Serve topped with yogurt and with lime wedges to squeeze over top.

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Sens shake things up

Pageau sent down to Binghamton

The Ottawa Senators have sent Jean-Gabriel Pageau to Binghamton of the AHL.

The 20-year-old centre had one goal and a minus-3 rating in eight games so far this season. In 17 career regular-season NHL games, Pageau has three goals and two assists.

It is yet another move from the Senators, who are off to a disappointing 4-6-2 start. Last week Ottawa recalled forward Mika Zibanejad from the minors after he failed to make the team out of camp.

At practice Thursday, Cory Conacher and Chris Neil flanked captain Jason Spezza, while Kyle Turris centred Clarke MacArthur and Bobby Ryan.

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Police

Former brakeman faces one charge of extortion

A former member of the Canadian bobsled team has been charged with extortion.

Ken Leblanc appeared in a Calgary court Wednesday on one charge.

Police allege Leblanc threatened a city resident and claimed he was owed over \$100,000 from a failed business deal.

The 45-year-old was arrested Tuesday when the Calgary police's gangs and guns unit executed search warrants at two locations.

Leblanc, originally from Ottawa, was a brakeman for Canada at the 1988, 1992 and 2002 Winter Olympics. THE CANADIAN PRESS

NHL prospects go from pros to the open road

Return to CHL. Horvat one of many trying to parlay short pro stay into big-time junior success

The boys are back on the bus after getting their initial taste of life in the NHL.

A few players of this year's top draft class have managed to stay in the NHL, such as Calgary's Sean Monahan, Colorado's Nathan MacKinnon and Nashville's Seth Jones.

The rest merely got a taste of the big leagues after being returned to their major junior teams following training camp.

Long bus rides between games will become the norm again.

"It's definitely a little different after being on the plane with the Canucks and going back to those long bus trips now," said Bo Horvat, picked ninth overall by Vancouver. "But it's something you've got to do."

Horvat joins Hunter Shinkaruk, a Calgary native who was chosen 24th overall by the Canucks, and other players who have had to return to junior instead of going to the minors because they were drafted as 18-year-olds. They hope to heed lessons learned from their brief time



Knights forward Bo Horvat, seen here shooting on Guelph Storm netminder Justin Nichols on Oct. 5 is readjusting to life in the OHL. TONY SAXON/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

in the NHL as they continue their development.

Playing with Canuck superstars Daniel and Henrik Sedin at times, Shinkaruk learned how hard he has to push himself to become an NHL regular.

"I was playing with the

best players in the world and, when you do that, you really have to push yourself to be faster and be stronger and shoot the puck harder," said Shinkaruk, now back with the Medicine Hat Tigers.

Sault Ste. Marie Greyhounds defenceman Darnell Nurse, the top pick of the Edmonton Oilers (seventh overall) is taking a similar view as he toils again in the OHL.

"I'm just going to improve my whole game and see where that takes me," said Nurse, a Hamilton native

who has three goals and 12 assists in 13 games.

By being returned to their WHL, OHL and QMJHL clubs, many of the young stars will get a nice consolation prize — a chance to compete for Canada at the world junior championships in Sweden.

"It's a great opportunity this year," said Horvat, who has six goals and seven assists in 11 games with the Knights. "I'm just trying to take the positives out of (being cut by the Canucks)."

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Golden lining?

"The chance to be on that team and bring back a gold medal to Canada would be unbelievable."

Medicine Hat centre Hunter Shinkaruk who missed the cut for last year's Canadian world juniors

First-place Avs trade Downie for Talbot



Maxime Talbot shoots against Rangers goalie Henrik Lundqvist on March 26 in Philadelphia. The Avalanche have acquired Talbot from the Flyers in exchange for forward Steve Downie. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE

Pardon Maxime Talbot if he's a little bit overwhelmed right now.

He has a baby on the way and a new system to learn being traded for the first time in his NHL career.

The Colorado Avalanche acquired the veteran forward from the Philadelphia Flyers on Thursday in exchange for Steve Downie.

Talbot is expected to be in Dallas when the Avs face the Stars on Friday night. The move is somewhat of a surprise, with Colorado off to a 10-1 start and

leading its division. But Talbot's elated that it came to fruition and is eager to get to work under first-year coach Patrick Roy.

"I've been following their great start to the season, what they've been doing," Talbot said in a phone interview as he waited for a plane bound for Dallas. "I'm really excited to be part of it."

Talbot, 29, had a goal and an assist for the Flyers this season. He has also played for Pittsburgh, helping the Penguins to the 2009 Stanley Cup title.

His priorities once he arrives in town? Find a place to stay and then a new doctor. His fiancée is due in February.

For Downie, this is a return to the city where he began his career. The Flyers drafted him with the 29th overall pick in 2005, before trading him to Tampa Bay in November 2008.

"I'm excited to show Philly what an older Steve Downie looks like," he said.

"I'm going to bring my energy every night and hopefully help this team win."

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Red Sox designated hitter David Ortiz applauds after defeating the Cardinals in Game 6 of the World Series on Wednesday night in Boston.

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Free to play. Varlamov able to travel with team while charges pending

Colorado Avalanche goalie Semyon Varlamov will be able to travel with the team while prosecutors consider whether he should be charged with assaulting his girlfriend.

On Thursday, a judge said Varlamov could be released if he posted \$5,000 US bond and be allowed to travel with the team but he was ordered to stay away from his girlfriend, among other restrictions.

The girlfriend told investigators that Varlamov kicked her in the chest, knocking her down, and stomped on her chest as she lay on the ground in her apartment on Monday, according to an arrest affidavit. The girlfriend, whose name was redacted, also accused Varlamov of dragging her by her hair and telling her that he would have beaten her more if they had been in Russia.

Varlamov appeared in court briefly Thursday. He spent the night in jail after turning himself in on Wednesday. He stood next to his lawyer to face Denver County Judge Claudia Jordan, who also told him, through a Russian interpreter, that he couldn't drink or possess firearms. He also had to sign a



Colorado Avalanche goalie Semyon Varlamov DENVER POLICE DEPARTMENT

waiver that he would be immediately sent back to Colorado if he fled.

The 25-year-old turned himself in to police Wednesday evening, after practising with the team that day. He was arrested on suspicion of second-degree kidnapping and third-degree assault.

Varlamov's agent, Paul Theofanous, said he "is completely innocent of all of these charges."

Varlamov's lawyer, Jack Rotole, declined to comment on the case, saying he would defend his client in court.

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World Series win caps off tragic year in Beantown

Boston Strong. Marathon runner finds bittersweet ending in Red Sox victory

For fans, players and political leaders who celebrated the Red Sox's World Series title with cries of "Boston Strong," the championship provided a jubilant finish to a season that was shadowed nearly from the start by the April bombings at the Boston Marathon.

The morning after he cheered the victory inside Fenway Park, Ed Carlson returned Thursday to the marathon finish line he had crossed months earlier, 20 minutes before the bombs went off, and then had scrambled to find his children in the ensuing chaos.

"It was quite a year," said Carlson.

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"To be at the marathon and then be there for the World Series — I still tear up thinking about it."

Ed Carlson, Boston Marathon runner

51, of Princeton, Mass. "To be at the marathon and then to be there for the World Series — I still tear up thinking about it."

The success of the Red Sox, who finished last in their division only a year ago, be-

came a welcome surprise and eventually a symbol of resilience for a city recovering from the twin bombings that killed three people and wounded more than 260. People periodically stopped around the finish line on Thursday morning to offer a solemn tribute.

Carlson, who was taking in the scene with his 17-year-old daughter, wore a new Red Sox World Series Champions baseball hat along with the same blue and yellow marathon jacket he wore to every Sox game he attended over the season. At Wednesday night's game, he had his marathon medal in his pocket. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**



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NFL. Shanahan calls Haynesworth 'lazy'

Mike Shanahan levelled a scathing critique at Albert Haynesworth on Thursday, saying the former Redskins defensive lineman was "lazy" and had a "lack of passion" and "lack of character."

The Washington Redskins coach was responding to comments made this week by Haynesworth, who told Tennessee Sports Radio

that Shanahan is "conniving," self-centred and will run quarterback Robert Griffin III "into the ground."

Asked for his reaction, Shanahan began his answer and then stopped himself and started over — because he wanted to "say it the right way."

Then he hammered home a zinger.

"When you don't get along with somebody as a head

coach or an assistant coach, it usually falls into one of those areas — lazy, lack of passion, and a lot of times lack of character," Shanahan said. "And he fits all three."

Haynesworth signed a \$100-million free-agent contract with the Redskins in 2009, but he and Shanahan clashed frequently after the coach arrived in Washington a year later. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Blue Jays

New hitting coach aims to use the whole field

Throughout last season Blue Jays manager John Gibbons lauded hitters who "used the whole field," could drive the ball gap-to-gap and were not wholly dependent on a pull-happy power stroke.

It's no surprise then that the hitting coach he and GM Alex Anthopoulos have hired to replace Chad Mottola is one who shares that philosophy.

The Jays announced Thursday that Gibbons' former colleague with the Kansas City Royals, Kevin Seitzer, has been named the team's new hitting coach.

Gibbons worked alongside Seitzer with the Royals for three seasons, from 2009 to 2011, when Gibbons was the team's bench coach.

Seitzer said he developed his philosophy from his personal experience and also "special conversations with some very good hitters," singling out George Brett, Paul Molitor, Dave Winfield and about a dozen of the game's best hitters from the '80s and '90s. **TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**



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